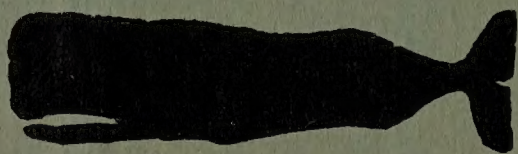


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Edgartown. Mass. U.S.

Decth 18. 1881

Bk Clarice Coast of Africa

Decth 19. 1884

Monday This day begins with fresh trades ship working to the South the wach working straightening the rattings also gave out molasses & vinegar
Lat 9 25 Long 11.37 East

Tues 20. 1884

This day begins with fresh breezes ship working to the south with all sail set the wach working in the rigging ratting down also fitting things up in general the ground looks about here very dry
Lat 11 00 Long 00 55 miles E

Wed 21. 1884

This day begins with fine weather ship cruising with all sail set the wach working in the rigging also brok out Bread & sent the new gib sent the old one inboard stowed it in the sail pen no song

Thurs 22. 1884

This day begins with fine cruising weather ship working to the South the wach working in the rigging also bent the foresail that was in the sail pen and maid the old one up stowed it on top the house also rove new fore & main top sail halyards also for top bunttings & top galant sheets
Lat 11 44 Long 01.00 W

Bent a new gib

St Vincent Capt - - - - -

Dec 23. 1884

Tried Today begins with fresh breezes ship on the port tack the wach busy repairing the flying jib latter part bent it again at sundown & flaked the light sails Lat 12.39 Long 0149 West

Dec 24. 1884

This day begins with squally weather & fresh breezes ship standing along on the port tack by the wind the wach busy getting out water & flog the latter part better weather just after supper raised a large sperm whale some point off our lee quarter going quick to the windward had just time to look at him and that was all. it being too near dark to lower the boats, as they could not get half way to the whale before he went down. Such is the luck

Lat 13.32 Long 02.29 West

Sun 25. 1884

This day begins with fresh breezes ship working to the windward the weather squally Lat 14.08 Long 02.44 West

Mon 26. 1884

This day begins with fine breezes ship cruising by the wind middle part see a whitewater one point off our lee quarter 3 three miles dist run the ship for it but see nothing more of it latter part see lots of algerines. the wach working in the rigging rather close on

Lat 13.45 Long 02.21 1/4 West

Dec 27. 1886

Tues This day begins with
fresh breezes ship by the wind Cruseing see jumper
the wach working in the ships riging
Lat 13.52 Long 0123 1/2 West.

Wens 28. 1886

Wens This day begins
with fresh trades ship Cruseing by the wind
the wach working in the riging
Lat 12.50 Long 0108 West

Thurs 29. 1886

Thurs This day
begins with fresh trades ship working to the south
see killers also a large school of Porpo
Lat 12.37 Long 02.12 West

Frid 30. 1886

This day begins with
fine weather ship working to the windward
the wach working in the riging Lat 15.10 Long 0257

Sat 31. 1886

This day begins with
very fine weather ship working to the south
the wach working in the riging all well
on board ship Lat 15.07 Long 02.31 West

Jan 1th 1882 Sunday
 This day begins with
 fresh breezes all squalls ship working to the
 South 4 four merchant ships passed us during
 the day steering about 0° 7° 12° W one of them
 proved to be a Steamer latter part the day
 doubled reefed the topsails
 Lat 16.23 Long 03.19° W

Mon 2nd 1882
 This day begins with fresh
 breezes ship by the wind on the port tack sounded the
 pumps this morning and found the ship had made
 18 eighteen inches of water since last night pumped
 the ship out dry as we could in number 300 three hundred
 strokes middle part wind moderated so set the light
 sails at 4 P.M. found 18 inches of water in the ship
 pumped ship 275 strokes during the 12 twelve hours
 making ship leaking 575 strokes in 24 hours there
 has been quite a heavy swell heaving from the East
 Lat 17.32 Long 03.18 one Chron 43

Tues 3rd 1882
 This day begins with
 fresh trades ship working to the South pump ship
 this morning 295 strokes middle the day wind
 moderated so set the light sails at 4 P.M. pump ship
 again 235 strokes making 530 strokes in 24 hours
 the watch busy through the day at various little
 small jobs Lat 18.45 Long 04.18 Chron 44 other 44

Bark Clarice of Edgartown

Jan 4 1882 Tuesday

This day begins with fresh breeze ship by the wind on the port tack middle part wind moderated a little sounded the pumps this morning found 17 inches of water in the ship pump ship out dry as we could. the watch busy at ship duty. at 4 P.M. pump ship again number of strokes during the last 24 hours 580 five hundred and eighty. Lat 20° 06' Long 45° 58' 32^{4r}

Thurs 5. 1882

This day begins with fine weather ship sailing along by the wind on the port tack heading by compass S West sounded the pumps early this morning found 17 inches of water in the ship started the pumps and pumped out 440 strokes. middle & latter part moderate ship with all sail set at 4 P.M. sounded pumps found ship leak increasing there being 19 inches in the pumps so started them again and pumped 446 strokes since morning making ship leaking 886 strokes in 24 hours. See one fir back 10 day Lat 21° 45' S. Long 60° 7.80' 43^{3r} West

Frid 6. 1882

This day begins with very light weather ship by the wind on the port tack ship does not seem to leak as bad in light weather pump ship number of strokes in 24 hours 450 just after 4 P.M. raised a school of whales 4 miles off our weather beam lowered the boats and pulled to the windward and before the boats got up to them papers got in amongst

Capt E. Vincent

The whales and galled them the Boats finally got up to the whales and the Bow Boat started to go on but the whales being stirred up and the wind light they would not give a chance to strike came on board so had to return to the ship with no whales such is luck

Lat 23.30 Long 0643 807.20 West.

Sat 7. 1882

This day begins with very light weather and smooth ship cruising about the watch breaking out water sounded the pumps this ^{ing} morning not but about 14 inches of water at 4 PM pump out 220 strokes ship has made during the last 24 hours at sundown furled the light sails.

Ship Lat 24.18 Long 0651 80725 W

Sun 8. 1882

This day begins with light squally weather ship working to the South pump out 80 strokes of water this morning. Middle the day wind freshened a little and quite a long swell heaving from the E W at 4 PM 17 inches of water in the pumps. pumped out 160 strokes making 240 strokes the last 24 hours. Lat 24.14 Long 0634 80717 West

Mon 9. 1882

This day begins with moderate breezes also a heavy swell heaving ship by the wind on the port tack Pump out 130 strokes this morning during the day the weather has been squally at 4 PM pump ship again 130 strokes more making 280 strokes in the last 24 hours at sundown wind freshened and look heavy in the west. Lat 25.31 Long 07.29 80805 W

Jan 10. 1882 Bark Clarice of Edgartown

Tues

This day begins with light trades ship by the wind on the port tack also a heavy swell heaving from the west the clouds look Squally. Ship has leaked 3.67 Strokes of the pump during the last 24 hours at sundown about calm ship Lat 26 40 Long 08 09 1/2

Wens 11 1882

This day begins with very light weather ship still holds the trades along with her has leaked during the last 24 hours 300 Strokes think by all appearances that the ship would leak quite bad should she happen to get a strong breeze Lat 27.36 Long 08 23 80 90 West

Thurs 12

This day begins with very light trades ship heading West by the wind on the port tack engaged middle sticking the fore top mast staysail latter part bent up again at 4 PM ship 16 inches of water pumped out during the last 24 hours 270 Ship Lat 28 44 Long 08 58 93 9 1/2

Frid 13. 1882

This day we are having very light weather the trades still keep along with us the deck busy at ship duty in general ship has only leaked 120 Strokes during the last 24 hours at sundown the weather looks very clear

Ship Lat 29.32 Long 09 35 810.11 West

Capt E Vincent — — — —

Jan 14. Sat

This day begins with calm weather
lowered down the bow Boat and reeled the ship around
got off lots of barnacles & grass then painted around
with coal tar one streak above the copper middle
part a light breeze sprung up from the North ship
then steered a course S by E & by 10 p.m. today also
broke out water ship Lat 30 15 Long 92 28 10 46 West

Jan 15. 1882

This day begins with light breezes from
the north ship steering S by E. middle & latter part
light squalls the clouds look heavy ship has made
during the last 24 hours 200 strokes of water or 12
inches of water. Lat 31.10 Long 92.43 8 10 22 West

BDCleveland

Mon 16. 1882

This day begins with calm
weather also thick and occasionally light rain squalls
ship steering south whenever there is wind enough to
steer her number of strokes of the pump ship has leaked
200 during the last 24 hours latter part still rain
squalls & fog no observation today

Tues 17. 1882

This day begins with fresh
breezes from the S.S.W ship by the wind middle part
wind moderated so set the light sails raised a large
whitewater off the ship weather beam 6 or 8 miles dist look
like a speed in what kept working ship to the windward
but could not raise a whale at 4 PM sounded the pump 18
of water in the ship. pump out 380 strokes Lat 32.10 Long 91.0
30 9.36 West

Bark Clarice of Edgartown

Jan 18. 1886

This day begins with light squally weather ship steering by the wind on the port tack middle part the wind changed more to the eastward so ship steered a course south latter part wind about north also light rains wach busy breaking out meat & small stores at 4 P.M. sounded the pumps found 19 inches of water in the ship started the pumps 350 strokes during the last 12 hours. 500 strokes. the last 24 hours ship lat 32 50 Long 82 08 & 42 West

Thurs 19. 1886

This day begins with fresh breezes ship steering S.E. Wind S.W. Mist raised a whitewater early in the morning proved to be pumping at 10 A.M. wind veering on so furled the light sails at 12 o'clock closed reefed foreward and double reefed the main topsails then hoisted the boats up on the upper fleet got everything fast and luffed the ship by the wind on the port tack ship looking quite freely latter part fresh breezes weather looks better at 4 P.M. pump ship again ship has leaked during the last 24 hours one thousand and twenty five strokes. Ship lat 33 00 Long 82 45 & 15 West

St Vincent Captain
Jan 20. 1882

This day begins with strong breezes from the E & N ship laying under close reef main topsail & furled the fore topsail & foresail at 2 o'clock last night at 7 o'clock AM began to thicken up and rain also moderate so sett the foresail at 11 eleven AM wind shifted into the S. West at 2 PM sett the fore topsail and kept ship off the wind gradually moderating and clearing up at 4 PM pump ship 705 seven hundred & five during the last 24 hours No Long — — —

Sat 21. 1882

This day begins with fine weather ship steering E by E at daylight struck reefs out of the topsails also sett the light sails ship has leaked 780 ^{strikes} seven hundred and eighty strikes of the pump Lat 33 12 Long 05 27 & 60 West

Sun 22. 1882

This day begins with very light weather ship working to the eastward middle & latter part calm ship has leaked 380 strikes of the pump during the last 24 hours ship Lat 31.58 Long 04 37 & 05 13 West — — —

Mon 23. 1882

This day begins with light squally weather wind about West middle part breezed on quite fresh in the squares ship steering West furled the light sails at 10 PM ship has leaked 850 eight hundred and fifty strikes since six o'clock this morning up to 4 PM 1025 strikes during the last 24 hours

Ship Lat 33 06 Long 03 45 & 04 15 West

hoisted up the main & Bow Boats just before noon

Bark Larier of Edgartown
Jan 24. 1882

Bent for top sail

Tues. this day begins with fresh breezes ship steering E & E wind about West & S.W. pump ship this morning number of strokes 1005 mid in the day began to moderate sent down the old foretop sail as it was well filled with holes bent the one that was below in the Cask formerly maintop sail latter part busy riping to piece the old topsail at 4 PM pump ship again number of strokes 740 making all told during the last 24 hours 1745 strokes ship has leaked the ship seems to leak more & more as the wind increases.

Lat 32 32 Long 01 06 8 14 2 West

Wens 25. 1882

This day begins with very light winds ship steering E & E middle part very near calm latter part light air from the N West took out water pump out 615 strokes ship rather increases in making water

Lat 31 58 Long 03 48 11 34 West

Thurs 26 This day begins with very fine weather ship working to the North and eastward light winds from the N West ship has made 490 strokes of the pump during the last 24 hours the work busy at ship duty Lat 30 40 Long 05 55 miles 8 00 15 miles East

Frid 27 This day begins with fine weather wind light baffling about middle part S.W. wind E & E think by appearance we have got the trades the work busy getting down the rigging pump out 650 strokes the ship leak seems to increase with the wind. ship steering N E by E
no long

Capt J Vincent
Sun Sat 28. 1882

This day begins with very fine weather
Ship steering N.E. by E. with the East trade winds the
wreck busy rattling down middle part the weather
begins to thicken up. broke out in the fore peak and looked
up forward to see if we could see anything that look
like leaking discovered the water running in both sides
of the stem & cut water quite freely could do nothing
with it but let it come and watch the pumps ship
has leaked 1350 strokes during the last 24 hours
Ship Lat 27.02 Long 80.1280050 East in

Sun 29. 1882

First part begins with moderate
trades ship steering N.E. by E. middle part wind freshen
ship with all setts latter part ship sailing along about 6 knots
an hour with all sail set ship has leaked quite freely
15 day number of strokes during the last 24 hours 1845
the leak seems to increase ship Lat 24.30 Long 80.40 E

Mon 30. 1882

This day begins with fresh
trades ship with all sail set steering N.E. by E. the wreck
busy working in the rigging also broken water the ship
leak seems to increase number of strokes during the last
24 hours 2300 ~~hundred~~ ship Lat 22 or Long 85.20 E

Tues 31 This day begins with fresh trades
at 7 AM luffed the ship by the wind on the starboard tack
and furled the light sails middle part wind moderated
se sett. the light sails the wreck busy at ship duty Capt Vincent
went down into the fore peak to take another look at the leak & trying
some to see if anything could be done to stop it but found it impossible
to fix it. number of strokes during the last 24 hours 1555. wind very light and smooth

Bark Clarie of Edgartown
Feb 1th 1882

Wend This day begins with moderate trades ship by the wind on the Starboard tack the watch working in the rigging also breaking out provisions latter part set to the fore top galant sail ship has not leaked as much this 24 hours as the 24 hours before number of strokes 720 Ship Lat 18 00 Long 02 41 E

Thurs 2th 1882

This day begins with very light trades ship cruising along by the wind on the Starboard tack Capt Vincent went down into the fore peak and board in to the stem also into some of the timbers but found but a very little of solid wood number of strokes ship has leaked the last 24 hours 890 at sundown wind freshened Lat 16 58 Long 04 28 E

Frid 3rd 1882

This day begins with very light winds ship cruising along by the wind the watch busy at ship duty ship has leaked during the last 24 hours 909 strokes Ship Lat 15 36 Long 06 01 East

Sat 4th 1882

This day begins with very light weather ship cruising the watch busy breaking out water ship leaked the last 24 hours 980 strokes in number Lat 14 50 Long 06 58 E

Capt E Vincent
Feb 5. 1882

Sun This day begins with very light winds
and smooth water ship on the port tack heading WSW
by the wind see purpose early this morning latter part
the day wind breezed a little ship with all sail set
Ship has leaked 660 strokes during the last 24 hours
Lat 16 00 Long 044 7 E

Mon ^{the} 6. 1882

This day begins with very
light weather ship steering into the west middle part raised a
sail some point off our lee bow and down to it which proved to be
the Scho Pedro Paula Capt Reickerson, gained her Capt
went on board of her she being 10 ten months out 1140 bbls
Ship has leaked 876 strokes Ship Lat 16 30 Long 03 03 E

Tues 7. 1882

Today begins with very light
winds ship steering along WSW. the watch busy at ship duty
in general ship leakage the last 24 hours 550 strokes
no observation to day. the behout of sight today

Wed 8. 1882

This day begins with very
light squally weather ship steering into the westward
see lots of purposes the watch busy at ship duty
Ship has leaked 672 strokes during the last 24 hours
Lat 18 30 Long 00 12 East

Thurs 9. 1882

Today the wind is very light
ship steering W. S. W. the watch busy at ship duty Ship has
leaked 622 strokes during the last 24 hours Ship Lat 19 00 E
Long 01 52 W

Bark Clarice of Edgartown

Feb 10. 1882

This day begins with very light weather ship steering into the North the wack busy repairing the mainsail. See one merchant vessel steering for the Island ship has 390 strokes during the last 24 hours Lat 19.15 Long 0240h.

Sat 11. 1882

First part begins with very light weather ship steering along N by E one sail in sight the wack busy repairing the mainsail middle part got it all repaired and bent it then broke out flour & water ship has leaked during the last 24 hours 480 strokes

Lat 18.30 Long 03.00 West ~ ~ ~

Sun 12. 1882

This day begins with very light breeze ship cruising along on the eastward tack by the wind 4 sails in sight one being a whaling schoer with his mainsail set and foresail furled apparently had a whale on deck. Ship leaked the last 24 hours 560 strokes at sundown furled the light sails Lat 17 45 Long 03.04 West

Mon 13. 1882

This day begins with light trades ship by the wind 3 other sails have passed us today ship has leaked 30 strokes during the last 24 hours

Ship Lat 17 44 Long 03.29 West ~ ~ ~ at sundown furled the light sails

Capt H. Vincent
Feb 14. 1882

Tues. This day begins with moderate breezes ship cruising along by the wind with all sail set have seen lots of merchant ships pass us today the work busy at ship duty. Ship leaked 6000 strokes during the last 24 hours at sundown furled the light sails. Ship Lat 17.15 S. Long 03.06 West

Wens 15. 1882

This day begins with fresh trades ship cruising along by the wind have seen one sail. the work busy at ship duty in general ship has leaked 950 strokes during this 24 hours seems to increase fast with the wind.

Ship Lat 16.52 Long 02.55 West

Thurs 16. 1882

This day begins with fresh trades ship by the wind on the port tack middle part set to the flying jib as it began to moderate at 4 PM pump ship number of strokes ~~1440~~ 1440 during the last 24 hours all on tack ship and at sundown set to the light sails kept the ship off N by W for the Island of St Helena Capt Vincent being sick.

Ship Lat 18.46 Long 03.55 West

Frid 17 Today begins with fresh trades ship steering a course N by East with all sail set middle part ^{rated} moderate. The work busy breaking out provisions Capt Vincent no better. Ship steering 80 miles to the Eastward of the Island ship has leaked 7740 strokes

Lat 17.12 Long 04.52 West

Bark Charlie of Edgartown
Feb 18. 1882

This day begins with light squally weather
Ship steering N by East judging that course to carry the
Ship 35 miles to the east of the Island if the Crew is
correct at daylight raised the Land off our weather
beam bearing East dist about 12 miles Ship being dead
to the leeward of it luffed the ship by the wind to work
up to it set all sail as Capt Vincent was very bad had
a very sick night at 9 AM the wind all died out so picked
out a heavy boat crew with the 3rd in mate got Capt Vincent
into the boat and started to pull the boat ashore. middle part
wind breezed up again. Ahrom 40 miles to the Eastward of the
Ship. Leakage during the last 24 hours 1.147 Sticks
Leat Rec Long 05-17 West
not correct

Sun 19. 1882

This day begins with fresh trades
Ship carrying sail working up towards the Island
at 2 PM Ship got up off to the port and the boat
returned on board that carried Capt Vincent on shore
did not get on shore until 2 two o'clock this morning
being 17 hours in the boat Capt Vincent remained
on shore under the doctor's care. Today got a good
set of rights Ahrom No 2 being 53 miles out to the Eastward
of the Ship Ship leakage during the last 24 hours 1090
Sticks the ship Falcon laying off on the Island. at
sundown Ship heading out on the eastern tack
with topsail & courses set

Capt F Vincent

Feb 20. 1882

Monday This day begins with fresh trade winds
Ship laying off & on St Helena Capt Vincent on
shore sick latter part the day sent the boat on shore
to see how Capt Vincent ~~health~~ was getting along
found him some better whilst the American
Council received a letter from the crew of the Clarice
stating the ship was leaking and was unseaworthy
wishing him the Council to call a survey on the
said Clarice as they dare not wish to sacrifice their
lives by going in such a vessel so the Council
ordered Capt Vincent to bring the ship into anchor
latter part all hands getting the chains up prepar^{atory}
for anchoring. It ends this day ^{Ship} leakage this last
24 hours 1135 strokes

Tues 21. 1882

This day begins with light
weather ship 8 miles from the Island all hands busy
getting things ready for anchoring at 10 AM got
into the harbor and anchored in 20 fathoms of water
at 1 PM 3 three Surveyors came on board with Capt
Vincent their names Capt Handy of Bark Falcon & Capt
Eacher also Mr Marks the ship Carpenter at St Helena
they examined the ship aloft on deck and outside
around from stem to stern. returned on shore
latter part the day. the U.S. Council came on board
and discharged 3 three men their names Josia Pass &
Antonio Josia & Frank Keisah, did not learn the design
of the Surveyors It ends this pump ship whilst the
Surveyors was on board number of strokes 1157.

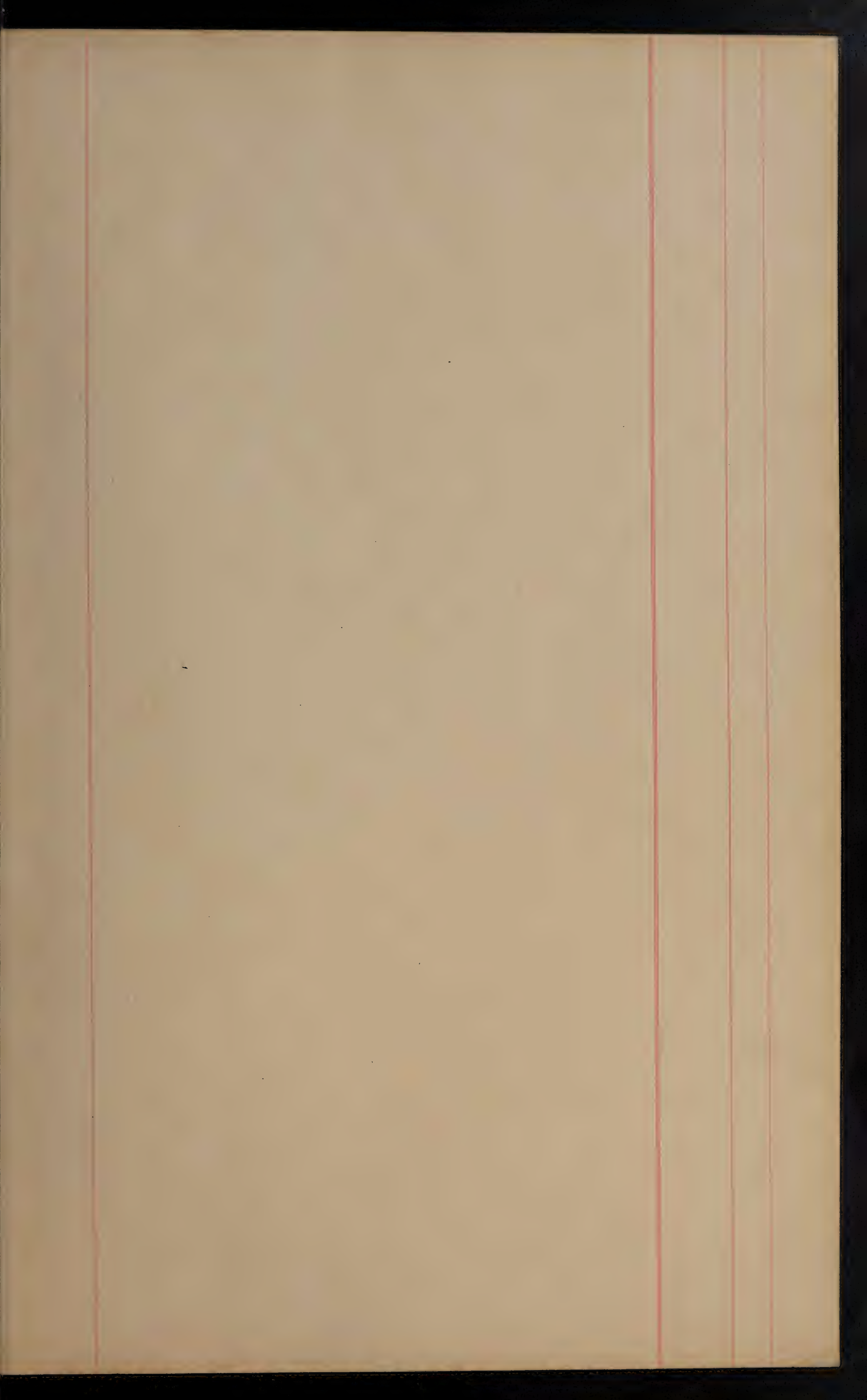
Feb 22. 1882 Bark Clarion of
Men This day begins with fresh breezes
Capt Vincent came on board this morning
and ordered the Cleveland to break out everything
from between deck also the fore peak and stow
it all on deck as far as was possible so as to
lighten the ship forward. The middle part got the
between decks all cleared out latter part got all
the stuff on deck from forward after supper let
one watch go on to have a run. Day ends this day
Pump out 130 strokes and not touch the pumps

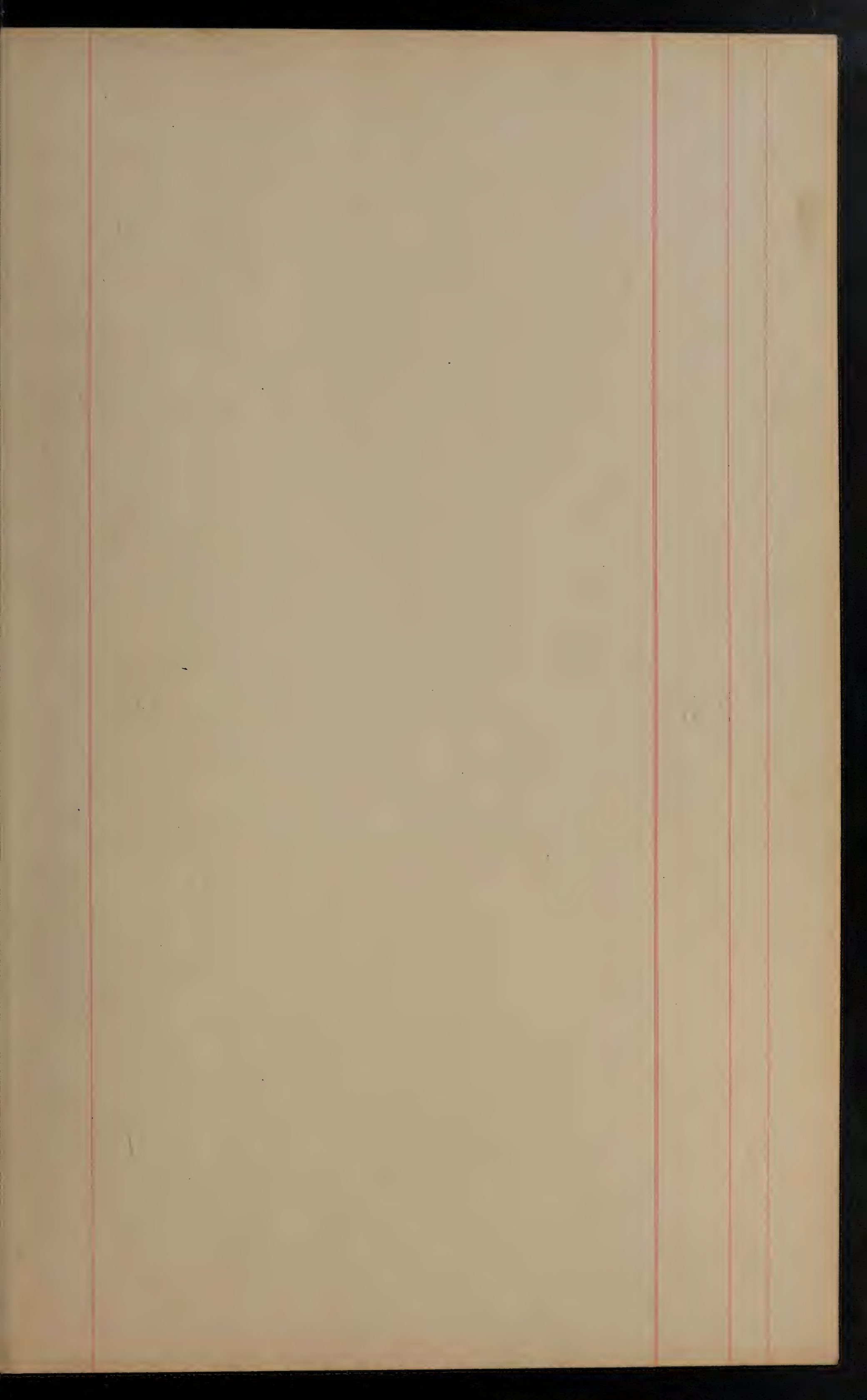
Thurs 23. 1882

This day begins with
fine weather ship lay^{ing} at St Helena this morning
the surveyors came on board and went all through
between decks also all in the forward part of the ship
and then ordered the lower hold broke out down to
the keelson all in the wake of the main hatch clear to
the wing on both sides. we did as they requested they
inspected there also down in the run. after that
they went all around on the outside of the ship again
and found the ship very badly strained they
also found the pumps got about 25 inches started
the pumps number of strokes 180. we have not
learned the surveyors decision Day ends this day
one watch gone on shore for a run

Edgastown Capt E Vincent

Account of the ...





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Feb 17. 1882 Butter account in Reg^{rs} no

Jan 18th 1882 Beef account used up
on 18 1 one cask — — 4
Feb 17 1 one cask — — 2 1/2

Jan 18th 1882 Pork account used 3^{bbls}
1 cask

Bread account used	Cask	Gall
Dec 21. — — — one 1 —		211
Jan 26. — — — one 1 —		240

Flour account used	Cask	Gall	bbls
Dec. 24. 1881	1	105	3 ³ / ₄
Feb. 11. 1882	1		5 ¹ / ₂

